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E.O. 11652: GDS

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SUBJECT: NEGOTIATIONS WITH FORMER TAPS GUARDS

REF: VIENTIANE 3656

1. NEGOTIATIONS ON TERMINAL PAYMENTS FOR TAPS GUARDS HAVE BEEN GOING ON SINCE 0900 BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF GUARDS AND TAPS MANAGEMENT (LOWRIE); SPRAGUE LEFT MAY 24 AFTER THREATS ON HIS LIFE. ALSO PARTICIPATING WERE DIRECTOR OF LAO LABOR DEPT., SECRETARY
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OF CIVIL SERVANTS ASSOCIATION, DEPUTY CHAIRMAN OF LAO

FEDERATION OF LABOR AND USIS OFFICER (AS INTERPRETER).

2. MANAGEMENT OFFERED PAYMENT TOTALING FOUR PAY PERIODS PLUS ACCUMULATED ANNUAL LEAVE AND A 2,000 KIP RICE BONUS, WHICH WELL EXCEEDED APPLICABLE PROVISIONS OF LAO LABOR CODE. GUARDS' REPRESENTATIVES COUNTERED WITH SEVEN PAY PERIODS AND ACCUMULATED ANNUAL LEAVE. GROUP PRODUCED DOCUMENT SIGNED BY FOUR OF SIX MEMBERS OF TAPS BOARD OF DIRECTORS (KEY LAO EMPLOYEES) AGREEING TO THIS. SIGNATURES WERE PROBABLY OBTAINED UNDER DURESS AS THEY ARE BEING HELD IN THE TAPS COMPOUND AGAINST THEIR WILL. GROUP ALSO ALLEGED SPRAGUE HAD AGREED TO FIVE PAY-PERIODS BEFORE LEAVING.

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